ust, 1989 permitted the company to sell the products in question viz. Dexamethasone 21 Phosphate Injection at their current rates.

(c) and (d) The counter affidavit on the writ petition has been filed and affirmed on 14.2.1992. The hearing is yet to commence in this case. The Government is pursuing vigorously through their legal channels to expedite the case and case will be defended in the best public interest in accordance with the advice of the Government's legal experts.

Prices of formulations of M|s. Merind

4583. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that prices of formulations M|s. Merind are based on Amitryptylline price of Rs. 13260 per Kg. as per Form 2-A details submitted to Government;

(b) whether it is a fact that the actual import price is only Rs. 1154 per Kg. landed cost as per the exports made by M/s. Torrent Exports on 11th May, 1992;

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to investigate the matter;

(d) wha is the price on which Cyproheptadine formulation prices of this company are based at present and since when;

(e) whether it is a fact that such instances lead to transfer of resources to their principals abroad; and

(f) what steps have been taken to check such activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Amitryptyline is a price controlled bulk drug with effect from 27.2.1990. M|s. Merind manufacture and market tablets based on this bulk drug under the brand name 'Tryptomer'. The price of the formulation as approved by the Government in March, 1990 is based on landed price of bulk drug at Rs. 2115.57 Kg.

(b) Exports made by a company and related details are not monitored. As per DGHS imports statistics, the average landed price of this bulk drug, the weighted average landed 3850|- per Kg.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The position is being ascertained.

(e) and (f) In pricing of scheduled formulation based on imported bulk drug, the weighted average landed price and not the individual company's import price is taken into consideration.

Landed cost of import of Cimetidine

4584. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that landed cost of import of Cimetidine does not exceed Rs. 2500 per Kg. on the basis of daily list of imports;

(b) whether it is a fact that formulation prices have been based on the landed cost of import of Rs. 350 per Kg. and M|s. Cadila and M|s. Ekef are overinvoicing the imports;

(c) whether it is a fact that consumer is being overcharged for the last three years; and

(d) what steps have been taken to rectify the position?